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REMARKS

The last Office Action of March 10, 2006 has been carefully considered. Consideration and further examination of the instant application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has deemed the prior response inadequate with the further requirement to indicate which claims read on the species enumerated by the Examiner in an election/restriction requirement dated April 16, 2004.

The remarks as forwarded by applicant in its prior response dated December 5, 2005 to the Office Action are incorporated herein by reference.

With regard to indication of the claims relative to the selected species for purposes of the examination, the following applies: new independent claims 75, 80 and 83 are directed to the subject matter of former claim 55 and with slight differences in scope. As such, for new claims 75, 80 and 83, the selected species for subgroup 1 the support, for purposes of examination is polystyrene. For purposes of examination of claims 75-79, 80-82 and 83, subgroup 2: species of monomers, amino acid (Fmoc protected). For purposes of examination of claims 75, 80 and 83, subgroup 4 species matrix and/or first solvent: diphenylformamide. For purposes of examination of claims 75, 80 and 83, subgroup 5 species transport units: solid particles. For purposes of examination of claims 75-79, 80-82 and 83, subgroup 5 species transport units: solid particles. For purposes of examination of claims 75-79, 80-82 and 83, subgroup 8 species temperature: melting of toner particles for coupling reaction to ensue (80 °C).

Claims 56-57, 60-64 and 66-71 were assigned species for examination when directly or indirectly dependent on claim 55 and these claims, safe for their dependency on claim 75, have previously been identified for their species.

With respect to claims 76-79, the following applies: for purposes of examination of claim 76, subgroup 7: species of second solvent – dimethyl formamide. With respect to claims 81 and 82 are dependent on claim 80.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that in view of the prior response in which a great number of claims were cancelled and a reasonable number of claims retained, the examination of the remaining claims can proceed without undue burden to the Examiner. Thus, the response to Office Action is now considered complete and further examination on the merits is urged.

Should the Examiner find that there is any inadequacy in this Supplemental response, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned by telephone to clear up any inadequacies and to avoid further delay of the application; applicant would greatly appreciate such a telephone interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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